

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

No. 2:23-cv-01910-RSM

V.

TAMMY BLAKEY, et al.,

## Defendants.

## **ORDER STAYING LITIGATION**

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WHEREAS, the Parties have engaged in productive settlement negotiations, and wish for those negotiations to continue;

WHEREAS, this case concerns alleged Clean Water Act violations for which settlement will require environmental restoration and mitigation;

WHEREAS, the Court previously stayed this case so that the United States and its agents of conduct a site visit of Defendants' property:

WHEREAS, the United States has completed that site visit and the Parties are now negotiating terms for environmental restoration and mitigation;

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to avoid the expense and burdens of litigation while negotiating a potential settlement, and have therefore entered into a stipulation with the request that the Court enter this order;

1 NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED:

2 1. This case is stayed until November 8, 2024.

3 2. All discovery deadlines and obligations to propound or respond to discovery requests  
4 (other than a site visit as described in Paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.**)  
5 are stayed until November 8, 2024.

6 3. All deadlines in the Court's June 4, 2024 Order are reset as follows:

7 a. Disclosure of expert testimony - ~~October 30, 2024~~ January 28, 2025

8 b. Deadline for discovery motions - ~~November 29, 2024~~  
9 February 27, 2025

10 c. Close of discovery - ~~December 30, 2024~~ March 31, 2025

11 d. Deadline for dispositive motions - ~~January 28, 2025~~ April 28, 2025

12 e. Deadline for motions in limine - ~~March 31, 2025~~ June 30, 2025

13 f. Deadline for agreed pretrial order- ~~April 16, 2025~~ July 15, 2025

14 g. Deadline for trial materials - ~~April 23, 2025~~ July 22, 2025

15 h. Trial (5-7 days) - ~~April 28, 2025~~ July 28, 2025

16 4. The United States may unilaterally move to terminate the stay without Defendants'  
17 consent, provided that the United States has provided 14 days' notice to Defendants  
18 before moving to terminate.

19 5. No later than November 1, 2024, either the United States shall lodge a proposed consent  
20 decree, the Parties shall file a joint status report advising the Court of their settlement  
21 efforts and proposing further proceedings, or the Parties shall move for an additional stay.

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23 DATED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2024.

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